

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

(Case No. 97,008-X)

In re Application of:

COPELAND, et. al

Serial No.: 10/054,535

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For: Automated Biological
Reaction Apparatus

Group Art Unit: 1743

Examiner: P. Bex

Commissioner for Patents
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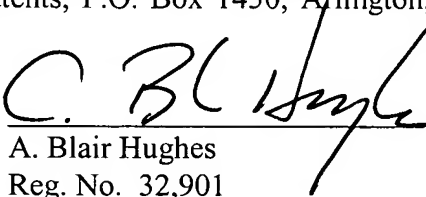
Sir:

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

In regard to the above identified application:

1. We are transmitting herewith the attached:
 - a. Petition for Three Month Extension of Time
 - b. Reply to July 29, 2003 Official Action
 - c. Terminal Disclaimer
 - d. Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement
 - e. Form PTO-1449
 - f. Cited Reference
 - g. Return Receipt Postcard
2. With respect to additional fees:
 - a. Attached is a check in the amount of \$1,060.00
(\$950 for three month extension of time and \$110 for terminal disclaimer)
3. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No.13-2490. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
4. CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 CFR § 1.8: The undersigned hereby certifies that this Transmittal Letter and the paper, as described in paragraph 1 hereinabove, are being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Arlington, Virginia 22313-1450 on this 29th day of January, 2004.

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